

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appl. No.: 10/708,406 Confirmation No.: 2405
Applicant: Garcia, *et al.*
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TC/A.U. 3672
Examiner: Matthew J. Smith
Docket No.: 19.0372
Customer No.: 23718
Title: WELLBORE DRILLING SYSTEM AND METHOD

Commissioner for Patents
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REQUEST FOR ORAL HEARING 37 C.F.R. § 41.47

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 41.47, the Applicant respectfully requests an oral hearing in the present appeal. Please charge the fee for requesting an oral hearing (\$1,030.00), pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 41.20(b)(3), to Deposit Account 19-0610 (Reference Number 19.0372). Please apply any charges not covered or any credits, to Deposit Account 19-0610 (Reference Number 19.0372).

Respectfully submitted,

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